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METHOD FOR CALCULATION OF :  
AMOUNT OF LENS SHIFT, PROGRAM :  
AND MEDIUM

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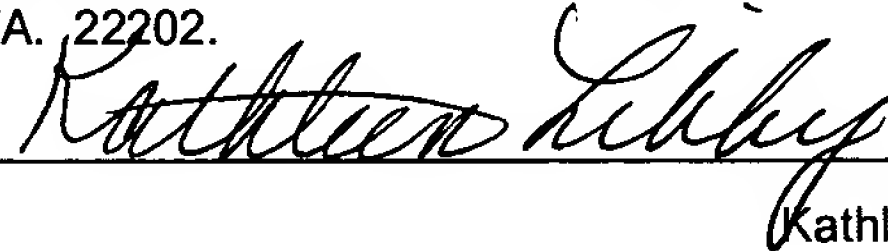
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